

CLAIMS:

1. A plastics closure (10) for a container, the closure (10) comprising a top plate (15), a side skirt (20) depending from the periphery of the top plate (15), a sealing strip (45) depending from the top plate and adapted to sealingly engage the side of a container neck finish (75), and an abutment member (55) including a guide member (65) for guiding the sealing strip (45) towards the neck finish (75) as the closure (10) is applied, so as to increase the strength of the seal and to minimise friction between the strip (45) and the abutment member (55),

characterised in that,

the sealing strip (45) is inclined radially towards the neck finish (75) and thus improve the sealing effect.

2. A closure according to claim 1, wherein the sealing strip (45) tapers slightly away from the top plate (15).

3. A closure according to either of claims 1 or 2, wherein the surface (47) of the free end of the sealing strip (45) tapers sharply.

4. A closure (110) according to any preceding claim, wherein the sealing strip (145) is adapted to seal on the outer surface (180) of the neck finish.

5. A closure (110) according to claim 4, wherein the closure (110) further comprises a plug seal (190) adapted to seal on the inner surface (186) of the neck finish.

6. A closure (110) according to claim 5, wherein the plug seal (190) is adapted to exert an outward force on the neck finish (175) for causing the neck finish to move outwards, thereby increasing the strength of the seal from the sealing strip (145).

7. A closure (10) according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the sealing strip (45) is adapted to seal on the inner surface of the neck finish.

8. A container with a neck finish (75) in combination with a closure (10) according to any preceding claim.